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TO: All Local Governmental Agencies (LGAs)

Local Educational Consortia (LECs)

Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) and Targeted Case Management (TCM) Coordinators

SUBJECT: MAA REVENUE OFFSET FOR "MEDI-CAL FOR CHILDREN /HEALTHY

**FAMILIES" APPLICATION ASSISTANCE** 

The purpose of this transmittal is to inform each LGA and LEC of the appropriate method to offset revenue from the Medi-Cal for Children/Healthy Families (HF/MCC) application (MC 321 HFP) assistance compensation against MAA invoices.

Assembly Bill 1126 (Chapter 623, Statutes of 1997) authorized the Healthy Families program, which offers no cost or low-cost health insurance coverage. A joint application was developed to allow families or individuals to enroll in either the Medi-Cal for Children or Healthy Families programs. Organizations that are HF/MCC Enrollment Entities with trained Certified Application Assistants may receive an application assistance fee of \$50.00 for each application that results in an enrollment in either the Medi-Cal for Children or the Healthy Families programs.

The "MAA Facilitating Medi-Cal Application (Eligibility Intake)" activity allows time spent facilitating the MC 321 HFP application to be claimed to MAA. However, if the enrollee checks the "I do not want Medi-Cal" box, section 16 of the MC 321 HFP, MAA cannot be claimed. If the "I do not want Medi-Cal" box is checked, then time spent on facilitating Medi-Cal application should be coded to "Other Programs/Activities" during a time survey month.

To avoid duplicate billing situations which may result from receiving the application assistance fee and claiming MAA, each LGA and LEC is required to list any application assistance on the "MAA Funding (Revenue) Sources Worksheet" attachment, under State General Fund, Cost Pool 5, of the MAA invoice.

If you have any questions please contact Ms. Georgia Rivers, Chief of the Administrative Claiming Operations Unit, at (916) 657-0627 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:grivers2@dhs.ca.gov">grivers2@dhs.ca.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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